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Victory Ends Ford Strike

FORD WILL NOT SMASH BATTLE UAW-CIO
LADIES AUXILIARY LOCAL 200 WE ARE 100% BEHIND OUR UNION
UNION SECURITY MEANS GOOD CHRISTMAS

Picket lines, with this tike as a helper-outer, surrounded the Canadian Ford plant in Windsor, Ontario, for 100 days until the company finally reversed itself and agreed to arbitrate wage and other issues It was Canada's longest strike since the United Kingdom went to war. The Windsor strikers received financial help from both Canadian and U. S. unions but they will need continued aid until production resumes and pay checks start again. (LPA).

Christmas Party Pleases Children

4500 Attend Annual Local 12 Festivities

A bigger and better Christmas party than ever before thrilled 4500 youngsters, children of Local 12 members and those of the Chevrolet Unit, of Local 14 last Sunday afternoon at Civic Auditorium.

The party, an annual affair given by Local 12, United Automobile Workers-CIO, was full of entertainment, thrills, singing, dancing and specialty acts which pleased both the children and adults.

Eddie Hanf, master of ceremonies handled the entire show and kept things moving along at a rapid pace with never an idle moment except to stop once or twice to locate the parents of some little tots whose curiosity and desire to get near the stage caused them to wander too far from their seats.

Santa Delights Tots

But the real thrill came when Santa Claus, a short, fat, jolly old elf came upon the stage of the Auditorium and greeted the children. After waving his greeting and proving himself a child of larger growth, the white-whiskered gentleman went down into the orchestra pit where he and his helpers proceeded to unload gifts consisting of candy, toys and games to the several thousand children who formed in lines in the aisles and passed by the pit.

As usual, some of the little ones whose parents did not add to the large crowd in the aisles

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GI's Oppose Peace Draft

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (LPA)—Congressmen who serve on the House Military Affairs Committee last week were treated to the uncensored views on peace-time conscription of a recently discharged sergeant and a private awaiting discharge.

In the presence of a score of general and colonels, an Army GI, Pvt. George L. Mark, Cleveland, Ohio, attacked what he called the "Pentagon Boy Scouts". He charged that the entire military training idea is the product of "the Army Brass Hats. He said that, "they want a large army to retain the officers". He testified that his own observation was that men in the ranks are opposed to compulsory military training in peacetime.

Sgt. James F. Donnelly, of Boontown, N. J., told the committee that while he was overseas he heard a great many army officers make speeches in favor of peacetime training. He charged that GI's were being compelled to keep quiet. He cited a letter he wrote Senator Hawkes of New Jersey that was returned to him, because it was a violation of army regulations. He told the Committee that he was threatened with court martial if he wrote anything further against military training.

A-L Unit To Dance

Civic Auditorium will be the scene of the Auto-Lite Unit's New Year's dance, Monday, Dec. 31. Auto-Lite members, their friends and the public are invited to attend this gala affair which wil see the Old year out and the New Year in to the tuneful melodies of Drexel Lamb's orchestra.

MEETINGS IN 1946

Members of Local 12 are urged to watch page 3 of the JOURNAL each week for a listing of all important meetings.

Other Local Unions are urged to make use of the facilities of this paper in listing their important meetings each week. All meeting notices, change of meeting places or times should be in the hands of the editor not later than Monday evening.

Remember. A good Union member attends Union meetings.

Ellender Filibusters Wages Bill

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (LPA) — A well-timed maneuver by Senator Arthur Ellender (D., La.) coupled with the absenteeism of progressive committee members, resulted last week in another delay in a vote in the Senate Labor Committee on the proposal to establish a 65-cent wage minimum.

The committee had agreed to vote on the Pepper bill setting a 65-cent minimum wage and extending coverage to food processing and maritime workers under the Fair Labor Standards Act, as soon as a ecord of the extensive hearings was completed.

Despite the fact that committee members had plenty of time to read the record, Ellender came into the meeting insisting that hearing had to be reopened on Jan. 18 to hear spokesmen for the lumber and canning industries, and of the farm bloc.

Afraid Of Opposition

Apparently afraid to give these opposition spokesmen a chance to speak in public, Ellender insisted that they be heard in executive session. "The canning industry," charged CIO legislative committeeman John Edelman, "doesn't want to be against the 65-cent minimum in public. The southern lumber industry is committing suicide and will kill the whole housing industry as well by coming out against the 65-cent minimum. They admit they can't get labor and admit it's because of wages that average 40 cents and 50 cents an hour."

Also attacking Ellender's filibustering was Elizabeth S. Magree, secretary of the National Committee for a Fair Minimum Wage, who said:

"We object strenuously to Senator Ellender's inference to the press on Tuesday that this bill is only a labor bill. The public has a stake, and a large one, in the passage of this bill. The existence of this committee is evidence that the general public is vitally interested in the legislation."

Is This A Strike?

WASHINGTON (LPA)—Blame for lagging radio production which manufacturers have laid at OPA's door should rightly be applied to the manufacturer themselves, said Senator James Murray (D., Mont.) here last week. OPA price schedules are still awaiting data from at least two large radio and electric appliance firms who were asked for the necessary information way back in July.

CIO Chief Hits Truman Bill

President Truman's proposal for fact-finding boards and a 30-day cooling off period was assailed by CIO President Philip Murray in testimony before the House Labor Committee. Murray told the committee headed by Acting Chairman Ramspeck (D., Ga.) that the CIO opposes any legislation "looking toward compulsion of labor or robbing them of their constitutional right to strike." Ramspect (right) threatened that if Truman's bill isn't passed more severe anti-labor legislation may be pushed through Congress. (LPA)

To Air UWA Program At Regional Meet

Lima Conference To Consider Union's Economic Problems

Economic problems confronting the Union will occupy the most important place on the agenda of the Region 2-B Lima quarterly conference, it was revealed here this week by Richard Gosser, UAW-CIO regional director.

Practically the entire afternoon session of the Jan. 5 meeting will consider the various economic problems facing the workers including the following: Wages vs Prices, Full Employment and Full Production and Voluntary vs Compulsory Arbitration.

These are the principal interests of the workers according to Director Gosser and considerable time will be spent on a discussion of these problems.

Mayor To Speak

The day-long session which will open at 10:00 a. m. Jan. 5 will be welcomed to Lima by Mayor William Ferguson.

Regional Director Gosser will deliver the principal talk of the morning session on "What the General Motors Strike Means to American Workers". Only plant to be directly effected by the GM work stoppage in Region 2-B is the Chevrolet plant in Toledo, but the impact of the strike will effect the wages and living conditions of all workers for good or bad depending upon

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Bottleneck Is Finally Broken

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (LPA)—A two-year-old congressional bottleneck has been broken. The House Ways and Means Committee finally has agreed to put social security law revision and extension on the agenda for discussion in the next session of Congress.

Chairman Robert L. Doughton (D., N. C.) said last week that the matter of congressional action on President Roosevelt's and President Truman's suggested revisions of the long-stagnant legislation would be taken up shortly after Congress reconvenes.

Even before 1946 tax legislation, said Doughton, the broadening of social security, such as is proposed in the Wagner-Murray-Dingell bill, would at least be discussed in open session.

Labor's Ups and Downs In '45

From War To Peace Brings Many Changes

JANUARY—Top Army, Navy officials praise labor for war production record . . . Anti-labor Ball-Burton-Hatch bill denounced by unions . . . President Roosevelt's manpower draft request condemned by all labor . . . Army operates 16 Montgomery Ward properties . . . AFL and CIO carry fight against wage freeze to White House . . . Cutbacks begin to hit war plants . . . All national union conventions for 1945 ruled out . . . Union-busting Christian-Americans spread anti-labor law efforts throughout South.

FEBRUARY — Union-opposed slave labor bill passes House 246 to 165 . . . World Trade Union Conference opens in London . . . Slave labor bill junked in Senate . . . Labor members denounce WLB report by public members asking retention of wage freeeze . . . AFL asks 75c hourly wage minimum . . . CIO and AFL Unions oppose peacetime draft . . . WTUC, calling for a "people's peace", announces September meeting in Paris to organize new world union congress.

MARCH—UAW-CIO votes 178,231 to 98,186 to retain wartime no-strike pledge . . . John L. Lewis demands 10c-a-ton royalty on each ton of coal mined and 238,418 soft coal miners vote 8 to 1 to authorize strike . . . Supreme Court finally outlaws sweatshops . . . Labor shocks Congress with OPA figures showing wartime profits up to 5404% of prewar . . . Brass hats scheme for passage of new work-or-jail legislation . . . Labor testifies for strengthening of price controls . . . FDR names special committee to study guarantee annual wage . . . Labor condemns cutbacks coming without adequate warning . . . Union-busting superseniority ideas in midwest plants fought by unions.

APRIL—Labor and the nation mourn President Roosevelt's death . . . Labor-management charter signed by CIO, AFL and Chamber of Commerce . . . Truman's Senate record reviewed and found nearly 100% pro-labor . . . Shipyards and auto plants bear brunt of increasing cutbacks . . . Pa. anthracite miners vote 6 to 1 for strike . . . Filibuster threatens FEPC funds . . . American Legion employment Conference emphasizes breach between labor and Legion . . . Unions fight processor's use of meat shortage as excuse to boost prices and profits.

MAY—V-E Day celebrated as labor stays on the job . . . Truman blasts labor hopes for relaxation of wage freeze . . . U. S. seizes 363 strikebound anthracite mines bringing total to 599 . . . V-E Day found War Manpower Commissioner McNutt demanding power to force transfer of workers from one job to another . . . Supreme Court upholds portal-to-portal pay . . . AFL an-

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Can Co. Asks For Job Devaluation

NLRB Sets Strike Vote For Jan. 3

Disgruntled workers of the American Can Co. members of Local 12 will vote in an NLRB conducted elected to be held in the company plant, Jan. 3 to determine whether or not they will strike.

Dissatisfaction of the workers with the tactics used by the company have been on the increase since May 1944 when negotiations with the company were inaugurated by the Union on a new contract.

Company Uses Evaluation

Grasping the opportunity presented by the contract negotiations, the company management sought a job evaluation clause, which, if it were adopted would mean a loss of pay ranging as high as 17½ cents an hour for company employes.

Workers in the plant are now sarcastically referring to the company's job evaluation proposal as the 'job devaluation" proposition in which the management seeks to cut workers wages by an attempted "scientific" evaluation.

Union officials point out that both female and skilled workers in the plant are entitled to wage

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President Favors Opening GM Books

URW In 10th Convention

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (LPA) — Big industry "has ganged up against the American people and against organized labor," President L. S. Buckmaster of the United Rubber Workers-CIO told the 10th annual convention of the URW here.

Buckmaster, who was re-elected president, told the convention that "The need for a substantial wage increase for our workers is growing more and more acute as the cost of everything we purchase continues to rise, and as the inevitable shortening of the working day and the work week continues to reduce the take-home pay of our people."

Industry's ganging up, Buckmaster said, has a double purpose: "It is not only to keep labor in its place where they think they should be, but it is to take advantage of all the American people in forcing higher prices on the products that we all have to buy in order that they will be guaranteed the high wartime profits which they have been making during the last four or five years."

Bishop Haas Speaks

Bishop Francis J. Haas told the delegates that each Amer-

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Chevrolet Reduces Plant Pickets

Skeleton Crews Maintained Over Holidays

Striking Chevrolet workers in Toledo reduced their picket lines before the Central Avenue plant to a skeleton force over the Christmas holiday, it was announced this week by Thomas Fussell, Local 14 financial secretary.

Only a few pickets were maintained over the plant entrances on Christmas day in order to give the majority of the strikers an opportunity to spend the day with their families.

Similar arrangements are being made for New Year's day when a small group of pickets will maintain their lines at the Toledo GM plant.

Enjoy Christmas Holiday

Striking Chevrolet workers and their families enjoyed a full Christmas this year according to Stanley Badyna, Local 14 publicity director. "Thanks to the aid given to us by Local 12 and its Units, our people enjoyed one of the finest holidays. We are grateful to the Units of Local 12 and to the other Toledo Locals who so generously are supporting our cause."

Mr. Badyna also expressed his thanks to Regional Director Richard Gosser and his staff for the support which the International office is giving the Chevrolet Unit. "Director Gosser is showing us real Union solidarity and we are thankful to him for the leadership which he is giving," he said.

Party For Children

A Christmas party for the children at Local 14's headquarters plus baskets and financial aid extended the striking Chevrolet workers by Toledo UAW-CIO Locals contributed greatly in making this a Merry Christmas for Toledo's GM employees according to Local 14 officials.

As a result of a good Christmas, the spirit of the Toledo strikers is higher than ever and the fight for the 30 per cent wage raise will be carried on with renewed vigor say Chevrolet officers.

The GM strike is now in its fifth week.

GM Threatens To Kill Fact Finding Parley

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Members of the President's Fact-Finding Committee investigating the General Motors strike dispute were slated to meet here again today with General Motors management, headed by President C. E. Wilson, and the UAW, represented by President R. J. Thomas and iVce-President Walter P. Reuther.

Labor leaders the country over are watching the proceedings to see if General Motors will bolt the hearings in view of the company's attitude on the President's statement that the corporation should be willing to open its books.

General Motors almost torpedoed President Truman's special fact-finding board in the United Auto Workers-CIO strike when it threatened to withdraw from the hearings if the board attempts to investigate profits and prices as the UAW has demanded.

GM flatly refused to expose its books to public scrutiny for determination of its ability, as the world's richest corporation, to pay the 30% wage increase asked by the UAW. The fact finding committee, after a single day's hearing recessed following GM's argument that the corporation profits are nobody's business save GM's. The UAW, however, contended that the profit-price issue was the basis

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Leads Security Fight

Nelson Cruikshank, director of the AFL social insurance activities, charged last week that Congress has staged a 30-month sitdown strike again the Murray - Wagner - Dingell Bill for health insurance and expanded social security. Cruikshank, who has fought for Congressional action on the bill since it was first introduced early in 1943, pointed out that "the legislation has not even been given the courtesy of a committee hearing in either house." Hearings are now tentatively scheduled for the spring of 1946. (LPA).

Boys Are Coming Home

WASHINGTON (LPA) — The fact that you couldn't get that holiday travel reservation was due to the fact that troop movements have reached the highest peak in history. Seventeen thousand men a day are being moved through the ports of New York, Boston and Hampton Roads alone, and Army Service Forces officials say that these three have handled more than 2¼ million servicemen in the less-than-six-months since V-E Day. "An all time record in seaborne movements of humanity" is the boast of the shipping agencies that brought the GIs across the ocean.

Legion Favors Sons Of Rich

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (LPA)—The American Legion this week renewed its annual request for peacetime conscription in testimony before the House Military Affairs Committee. It presented the Legion plan which calls for intensive training up to four months for all youths between 18 and 20, and those of 17 who have parental consent. Trainees would have several ways of completing the remainder of their years training, either in the armed forces, the National Guard, the ROTC or special work in college or industry.

AFL spokesman Lewis Hines made an immediate attack on the Legion proposal. Calling it a plan to institute a "class and caste system", Hines charged that the Legion proposal would benefit the sons of the rich. He said sons of working men would be forced to take 12 full months of training; those who could afford to go to college were given the chance to become officers, or work in school or industry.

Asked whether wages paid regular trainees under the Legion program should equal regular army wages of $50 a month, S. Perry Brown of Beaumont, Tex., who testified for the Legion said he did not think so.

CIO Calls For Policy Meeting

Atlantic City Session Scheduled For Jan. 29

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (LPA)—A National Policy Conference of the CIO will be held at Atlantic City, N. J., on Jan. 29, 30 and 31 in place of the 1945 national convention which was cancelled because of wartime travel restrictions.

CIO President Philip Murray and Secretary-Treasurer James Carey announced that delegates will attend the conference, with the CIO Executive Board meeting the day previous, Jan. 28, to prepare an agenda. Apportionment of delegates will be: national and international unions and organizing committees, one-half of their normal number of delegates; state CIO councils, one delegate each; local industrial unions "with the larger membership," one delegate each.

In calling the conference Murray and Carey declared, "It is not impossible for fascist ideas to conquer America even though Axis military might is crushed. reaction which was temporarily silenced by the war, is again becoming prevalent. Those who place profits before people, those who believe the Negro should be kept 'in his place', those who seek a scapegoat in the Jew, are now as vociferous as ever. Likewise, those who seek to crush labor as the protagonist of democracy are determined to use unemployment as their tool and the financial reserves built at the taxpayers' expense as a weapon."

Congress Labor Drive Seen Folding In '46

Elections To Tame Down Job Holders

WASHINGTON (LPA)—Hope that the flood of new anti-labor bills, including President Truman's proposed fact-finding legislation, will die in Congress rose last week with initiation of a counter-attack in the Senate led by Senator Wayne Morse (R., Ore.) Morse won assurance from the Senate Labor Committee that when it reconvenes in January for hearings on the Ball-Burton-Hatch and fact finding bills, it will investigate whether big business is using the tax cutbacks voted by Congress to fight organized labor.

Morse On Taxes

"I think we should find out what the facts are," said Morse, "about the allegations that some employers are taking advantage of the improved tax position given them by Congress to fight organized labor. I'm satisfied from what I've heard that there are some employers . . . who are using this opportunity to fight it out with labor, with the public footing the bill out of the tax savings voted them in good faith by Congress."

Labor oppostion to the entire crop of anti-labor bills is credited as the major reason for Congressional reluctance to vote them through. Another reason, and perhaps a clinching argument for many representatives, is that a completely new House will be elected in November 1946, and organized labor, when it goes to the polls, will undoubtedly vote in terms of how Congress has dealt with full employment, unemployment, compensation, the Murray-Wagner-Dingell social security bill and other labor-backed legislation.

Unions Oppose Truman

Union opposition to the Truman demand for fact finding legislation found encouragement in the complete confusion that surrounded the power of the fact finding panels. Echoing labor's pessimism the N. Y. Journal of Commerce predicted that fact finding will prove futile in solving the General Motors strike. The boards now have absolutely no authority to subpoena company records or financial accounts.

Both union and management spokesmen predict failure of the fact finding groups unless they are authorized to investigate profits and ability to pay. GM and other company representatives, however, have made it repeatedly clear that they will not open their books to public scrutiny unless Congress compels them to by law.

Management Fears President

Management frankly fears that the President could, if he wished, use his authority under the Second War Powers Act to give legal authority to the fact finding panels both in auto and oil to seize and examine company records. Also, it was pointed out that the President could issue orders giving the panels access to the records of various government agencies that have listed production costs and profit figures.

William M. Leiserson, former chairman of the National Mediation Board and former member of the NLRB, declared in Baltimore that the fact finding idea would not solve the problem of labor unrest.

Compulsory arbitration applied by the War Labor Board during the war years failed, he pointed out, as "both employers and workers revolted against the formulas of government officials. In 1944 we had the greatest number of strikes on record; and the number of people involved in strikes was greater than any other years except two, 1919 and 1942. This experience and the present nation-wide strikes in Australia that have paralyzed its three major industries, surely should be a warning that the remedy does not lie in the direction of outlawed strikes and government determination of the labor bargain."

Among the several bills which are expected to die in the Senate is the union-smashing Hobbs (anti-racketeering) bill passed last week by the House.

Consumer Beware

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (LPA) — Profiteering department stores shouldn't tell their trade secrets, even to the trade press.

Last week, a writer in the New York Journal of Commerce let the cat out of the bag as far as the women's clothing racket is concerned.

Cheasy garments are still a glut on the market, and attempts are being made to unload such clothes—¾ length $100 coats, cotton chenille housecoats, $30 suits, and cotton house dresses—before the end of the year.

Stores want to get rid of the poor-quality stuff before the end of the year, even if at a loss, since any losses would be applied against excess profits taxes this year.

"Leading department store executives states that they are noting considerably more selectiveness on the part of the consumer as the Christmas buying season draws to a close," the Journal of Commerce writer said. "Though much of the 'clearance' items will not be out of season if they remain in the store for another month to six weeks, deliveries of new winter garments are awaited directly after the first of the year, and store executives are anxious to have all of the old merchandise out of the way."

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ican should urge Congress to: "Enact the full employment bill; increase unemployment compensation to a national level of $25 per week for a minimum period of 26 weeks; raise the hourly minimum of the Fair Labor Standards Act from 40 to 75 cents; create a Fair Employment Practice Commission with full statutory powers of enforcement; pass the Health Insurance Bill outlined in President Truman's message; and appropriate adequate sums for public works and for the proper functioning of the United States Employment Service. Moreover, each citizen should insist that the Congress, while establishing fact-finding boards for labor disputes, refrain from any legislation that would have the effect of interfering with the legitimate freedom of action of labor unions, or worse, that would destroy them."

The United Rubber Workers, with a 1945 membership of 187,000, is the CIO's seventh largest union.

Western Union Strike Slated

WASHINGTON (LPA)—More than 48,000 AFL Western Union workers are set for strike on Jan. 7 following a directive sent to all locals of the WU division of the Commercial Telegraphers Union. "A strike as we direct on Jan. 7 will protect jobs, company service and seniority," the locals were told. The union has asked for a 15-cent an hour increase.

WDL Award To Rev. Myers

NEW YORK (LPA)—For "distinguished service in behalf of labor's rights," the Rev. James Myers, industrial secretary of the Federal Council of Churches for the past 20 years, was given the 1945 Clendenin award of the Workers Defense League here last week.

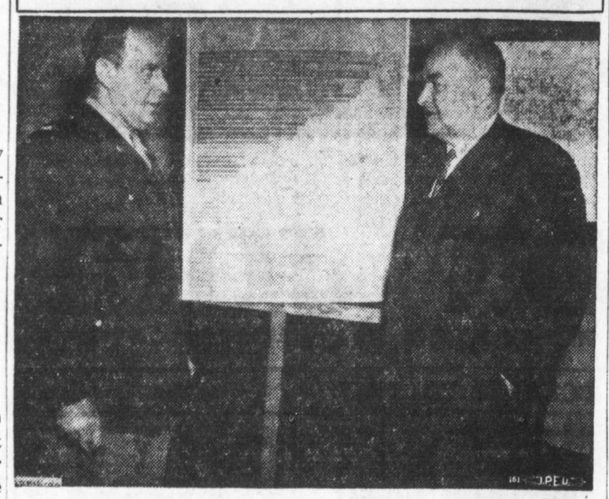
Full Employment Issue Still Lives

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (LPA)—The full employment bill, wrecked by a coalition of southern Democrats and Republicans in the House, appeared dead last week but President Truman expressed hope that an "acceptable" bill can still be pushed through. Truman, in a letter to the Union For Democratic Action, said, "I am still very hopeful that we can get an acceptable bill and I am doing all I can toward that end."

The emasculated House bill will go to a conference meeting with a committee of eight Senators, five of whom have records that indicate they may support the original full employment legislation. House and Senate conferees will meet sometime in January or February to iron out differences.

Labo leaders who had fought for the full employment bill which Truman had labelled "must" legislation were indignant at the complete wrecking job done by the House committee headed by Representative Manasco (D., Ala.). House conferees will include Manasco, and union hating Representatives Clare Hoffman (R., Mich.), William Whittington (D., Miss.) Administration strategy in failing to put up a floor fight in the House and placing dependence instead on an improved bill out of the House-Senate conference was condemned both by labor leaders and congressional progressives.

Anti-Labor Firms Dealt With Nazis



Standard Oil and other U. S. companies with anti-union records stood charged last week with having aided the Nazi war machine. Col. Bernard Bernstein (left), director of investigation of cartels and external assets of the U. S. Military Government in Germany, shows Sen. Harley Kilgore (D., W. Va.) and his committee investigating Nazi cartels and the industrial disarmament of Germany, that I. G. Farben, German chemical trust, itself reported the "many valuable contributions which were received as a consequence of our contracts with the Americans . . . above and beyond the agreement . . which just now during the war are useful to us" (LPA).

Labor In 1945

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nounces no possibility of its joining newly formed World Federation of Trade Unions . . . Labor supports Wagner-Murray Dingell bill for health insurance and expanded social security . . . Schwellenbach named Secretary of Labor.

JUNE—Truman asks Congress to take 'emergency action" to hike unemployment compensation to $25 a week . . . Organized labor will purchase more than 50% of nation's 7th War Loan quota of $4 billion . . . Food shortages still a mess as Rep. Clinton Anderson takes over as Agriculture Secretary . . . Truman, after conferences with Green, Murray, refuses to junk wage freeze . . . Federal court approves federal seizure of Wards properties . . . Labor-management charter dies as AFL council objects to procedure for setting up a national committee to implement the charter . . . Supreme Court rules against deportation of Harry Bridges, president of ILWU-CIO . . . Bilbo filibuster chokes FEPC bill . . . Take-home pay drops sharply all over U. S. . . . NLRB celebrates 10th anniversary . . . WMC study reveals myth of high wartime wages.

JULY—British labor wins in landslide election . . . Congress passes new OPA bill after labor and consumers battle for strengthening price controls . . . Tax relief for corporations okayed by Senate but wage freeze remains . . . 30% wage hike now needed to meet increased living costs, unions say . . . Congress pulls sitdown strike against full employment and other labor-backed legislation . . . Cutback become sharper as government-built war plants become idle . . . Labor launches all-out fight against B2H bill.

AUGUST—V-J Day finds both AFL and CIO unions determined to press anew or wage hike . . . Laid-off workers storm USES offices for new jobs . . . WPB removes most wartime controls, giving industry black check "to speed reconversion" . . . PAC plans drive for $1 from each of CIO's 6,000,000 members . . . AFL advances postwar program calling for end of wage freeze, 65c minimum and increase in unemployment compensation . . . V-E cutbacks disemploy countless thousands, hitting armament plants worst.

SEPTEMBER—Labor Day messages from Truman and other national leaders praise labor's "miracle" of war production . . . CIO President Murray says U. S. cannot withstand ravages of another depression . . . Living costs highest since 1921 with 18% rise in clothing prices in 12 months . . . First cutback figures show 2,000,000 laid off . . . AFL President Green declares "we can and must raise American standards of living by at least 50%" . . . Secret OPA study predicts 10,000,000 jobless in 1946 despite industry's highest profits . . . Government finds 200% rise in applications for jobless benefits . . . Nearly 5,000,000 workers found earning less than 40c an hour . . . Weakened full employment bill passes Senate . . . Coal strike starts over issue of organizing foremen . . . Economic Stabilization Director Davis fired by Truman after arguing for 50% rise in living standards . . . 60,000 AFL lumber workers strike . . . U. S. workers' living costs have jumped 31% since 1939 and food costs 50%, according to government figures.

OCTOBER—Government seizes 26 oil properties; 11 were strikebound since Sept. 17 after companies' refusal of government offer to arbitrate 30% wage demand of CIO union . . . Two-thirds of all soft coal production halted as 200,000 miners strike . . . WFTU born in Paris, representing 75,000,000 workers in 65 nations . . . Congress passes 1946 tax bill favoring rich and hitting poor . . . UAW-CIO votes 6 to 1 for General Motors strike . . . White House economists find that industry as a whole could pay 24% wage increase and still make stupendous profits of $6,300,000,000 after taxes in 1946.

NOVEMBER—Truman tells nation much of industry can afford "substantial" pay increases . . . Smith-Connally Act repeal move brings even worse union-smashing amendments . . . AFL Machinists suspended by Federation . . . U. S. Steel twice rejects government proposal to arbitrate . . . 235,000 UAW-CIO workers begin strike against GM . . . Labor-Management Conference splits on wage issue . . . Truman and labor lose fight against return of USES to states . . . Union throw support behind Wagner-Ellender Bill for national housing program.

DECEMBER—Emasculated full employment bill passes House over labor objections . . . Labor-Management Conference ends in failure after management proposes union-busting laws and refuses to discuss wage issue . . . Workers in steel industry vote 5 to 1 to strike for $2 a day raise . . . All labor assails Truman for message to Congress asking for fact-finding boards and 30-day cooling off . . . New flood of anti-labor bills hits Congress, and House passes union-smashing Hobbs (anti-racketeering) bill . . . Administration admits living costs jumped 33% since Jan. 1941 . . . AFL and CIO testify against peacetime conscription . . . 30-hour week demanded by conference of state labor commissioners.

Anderson Urges Co-operation

CHICAGO (LPA)—A farm-industry-labor conference was urged by Agriculture Secretary Clinton Anderson as a step toward "all out prosperity" in which "everybody can have a fair chance to share in the abundance the United States is capable of producing." Addressing the American Farm Bureau Federation's 27th annual convention, he listed increased productivity, increased use of power, increased productivity per worker, and the non-self-sufficiency of modern farms as factors to be considered, and urged that the major elements of the nation's economy get together for an "aggressive well-balanced program of production, employment and consumption."

Senate Approves Jewish Home

WASHINGTON (LPA) — Despite opposition from President Truman and Senate Foreign Relations Chairman Tom Connally, the Senate last week overwhelmingly voted to urge this government to use its good offices toward the establishment of a Jewish national home in Palestine and for the free entry of Jews.

Parents Picket School

WASHINGTON (LPA) — Parents staged a 100 per cent effective strike, with pickets, placards and out-of-classroom pupils before their neighborhood school here last week, and won a promise from school board officials that building of an addition to avoid overcrowding would be begun promptly.

Army Discharges Up Civilian Jobs Down

Labor Market To Feel Vet Impact

WASHINGTON Dec. 24 (LPA)—Returning war veterans are finding increasing trouble in obtaining jobs with only 5,000,000—half the number to be discharged—expected to be mustered out by the end of the year, the Commerce Department reported last week. Job opportunities have constantly decreased and the full impact of the new millions of discharges on the labor market is still to be felt, according to the December issue of the department's monthly publication, Survey of Current Business.

"Despite the fact that peak separations had not occured and that many veterans already released were not seeking work, difficulties in reabsorption had begun to emerge during September and October," the publication said.

Vets Seek Jobs

It was recalled that Army surveys made during the summer and fall showed that at least 75% of the discharged veterans will be job-seekers. The Commerce Dept. report emphasized that "The increase in the number of veterans receiving compensation for unemployment, together with the widening gap between applications for placement in jobs through local offices of the U. S. Employment Service, reflect the occupational shifting now under way and the changed relationships of applicants and job opportunities."

Meanwhile the long-debated question of superseniority still waited on a definitive court decision with several test cases pending throughout the country. Labor leaders believe that the issue will eventually go to the Supreme Court for final decision but there is no certainty yet as to which case will first reach the top tribunal.

To Air UAW Program At Regional Meeting

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its outcome according to the UAW head.

To Discuss Veterans

Handing of the UAW-CIO veterans program will be discussed by Chris Topel International Union representative attached to Director Gosser's office.

David Guberman, Toledo labor attorney will discuss labor laws and present some legal information of interest to the delegates to the conference.

Resolutions will be presented by a resolutions committee upon matters of Union policy which will be presented to the UAW-CIO convention to be held in Atlantic City in March.

Many Delegates Expected

Due to the economic situation which faces labor, the Lima conference is expected to attract one of the largest groups of delegates to ever attend a regional meeting. Director Gosser in urging all Region 2-B Local unions to send delegates has emphasized the importance of the conference in the light of present day conditions covering the GM strike, growing unemployment, inadequate unemployment compensation laws and congressional failure to enact full employment legislation.

Legislation now pending before Congress will be one of the subjects of the meeting with proper resolutions bearing upon anti-labor laws.

Lima UAW-CIO Locals will be hosts to the conference at their new headquarters 831 So. Main St. Dancing and refreshments will following the meeting.

Can Co. Asks For Job Devaluation

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increases, but the company in order to compromise as less than the expected increases have sought to becloud the issue by the use of the "evaluation" clause.

Expect Large Majority

Employes of the plant who gave an overwhelming majority vote in favor of striking when the UAW-CIO constitutional vote was taken are confident that the workers will repudiate the company's proposal with another decisive vote on Jan. 3.

Dissatisfaction is widespread among American Can employees who have been put off for many months waiting for a satisfactory conclusion to their contract negotiations only to be stalled off with a job evaluation which means pay cuts to several hundred workers unless the company is forced to bargain in good faith with the Union.

Superseniority Given Wallop

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 — (LPA)—Superseniority received another body-blow last week with an arbitration award which repudiated the anti-union interpretation of the Selective Service Act by Director Hershey.

Hershey's construction of Memorandum 190-A, issued by the Selective Service System and used by anti-labor employers as a union-busting weapon, was exploded completely by Dudley E. Whiting, arbitrator in a dispute between the Dow Chemical Co., Bay City, Mich., and the United Auto Workers-CIO.

Not A Rule

The super-seniority memorandum, Whiting found, "is not a rule or a regulation . . . by which the parties are bound. The Act does not empower the Director to promulgate rules or regulations of that nature and the Memorandum does not support to be such."

The arbitrator emphasized that the Selective Service interpretations of the act have little or no value and that Hershey's construction of superseniority is his own invention.

One CIO Union For Two

NEW YORK (LPA)—A single union to encompass the two CIO government employe unions is planned for next spring, it was announced here last week. At that time, at a joint convention, the United Federal Workers and the State, County and Municipal Workers will merge.

New Labor-Vet Conference Is Scheduled

WASHINGTON (LPA) — A veteran-labor conference, under the auspices of the Army & Navy Union, USA, will be held in Washington in February, it was announced this week by Fraser S. Gardner, national employment director of the Union.

Gardner declared that he is asking the AFL, CIO, Railroad Brotherhoods, United Mine Workers and other independent unions to appoint representatives to meet with him and other veteran employment officers for the purpose of establishing a permanent veteran-labor committee. "Such a committee," said Gardner, "will function as the direct authority for any veteran-labor matter on employment and will serve as the coordinating body on such interrelated questions as would affect veterans and workers, such as state and government legislation and management policies."

Wall St. Shovels Out Big Bonuses

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—(LPA) While thousands of union workers throughout the country faced icy blizzards on picket lines and other thousands prepared to strike to win pay increases Wall Streeters were enjoying Christmas bonuses reminiscent of the lush 1920's.

Banks, brokerage firms and some industries found 1945 so profitable that they handed up almost unprecented bonuses and in some cases salary hikes in addition.

Here are five typical examples: Bache & Co., employes of five years standing received a Christmas bonus of six weeks pay and those with one to five years employment were given five weeks wages; S. R. Melvin & Co., dealer in unlisted securities, handed each employe a bonus of 50% of 1943 salary and also jumped all salaries 245% on Jan. 1; Ira Haupt & Co. paid a Christmas bonus of 10 weeks salary to employes with five to 10 years' experience; Sartorius — Co. paid a bonus of three to four months to clerical workers with the company for one year or more; Goodbody & Co. gave three months salary to clerical workers with the firm more than 10 years and 2½ months pay to employes with one to 10 years tenure; Chase National Bank rewarded all employes with salaries up to $6000 with a Christmas bonus of 5% of their basic salaries.

President Favors Opening GM Books

Christmas Party Pleases Children

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were lost in the confusion and crowd and required the expert service of the Flying Squadron's members to locate their parents. Thanks to the fine work of this group, not a single child was long separated from its lost mothers and fathers.

Schultz Greets Children

Greetings of Local 12 and a welcome to the children and their parents were extended by Melvin Schultz, Local 12 president who also welcomed the children of the Chevrolet GM strikers and invited them to join in the festivities and gift sharing.

A chubby little clown who awkwardly fell over on the stage, tripped over imaginary match sticks and otherwise cut up pleased the audience with his funny antics and practically turned himself inside out to entertain the littles ones.

Children Entertain

Children of Local 12 members chosen for their talent provided the major share of the entertainment.

Committee Thanks All

Members of the Christmas party committee were generous in their thanks to Eddie Hanf, the performers and Local 12 representatives who aided in making the party another outstanding success.

Special thanks were given to Eddie Hanf for the stage decorations and to Carmen Broderick and the Local 12 band for furnishing the music for the gala afternoon.

Single Vote Kills Control

Senate Dooms Act To Die June 30

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (LPA)—One vote cost six months in the life of the Second War Powers Act, which includes authorization for rationing, priorities and other controls.

By a tally of 31 to 30, the Senate doomed the Act to expiration as of June 30, 1946, instead of the full year for which extension had been asked by the Judiciary Committee. After minor adjustments in the House, the bill goes to President Truman.

Thirty Democrats voted for the year extension, but were defeated by a coalition of 24 Republicans, 6 southern Democrats—Senators Bilbo, Byrd, Hoey, McClellan, O'Daniel and Tydings—and one Progressive.

Meanwhile, parallel discussion was taking place in hearings on extending the Price Control Act after July 31, 1945. Challenging the National Association of Manufacturers' insistent lobbying for immediate dropping of economic controls, Reconversion director John Snyder said, "We must not mistake the promise of production for actuality; it will not be here for months. Until it is, we must hold fast to our major curb against inflation—price stabilization."

Seek Conshies' Freedom

NEW YORK (LPA) — Sixty-two leading clergymen, educators and other prominent professional people have signed a petition asking that President Truman release the 3000 conscientious objectors now in federal prisons. Among the signers of the plea initiated by the American Civil Liberties Union were three Bishops, several university presidents, and many outstanding authors.

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Guildsman Win

WASHINGTON (LPA) — The Distinguished Service Medal was awarded to former American Newspaper Guild-CIO vice-president Lieut. Col. A. H. Raskin by Secretary of War Patterson here last week for his "exceptionally meritorious services" in several high posts with the War Department Bureau of Public Relations. Raskin dealt with the labor movement in several of these jobs. On his discharge from the Army, the guildsman will rejoin the staff of the New York Times.

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Seeing Eye—W-O Unit

We wonder if Mr. Lewandowski, who seems to be the overall brass hat of the plant protection, gets an extra bonus for every member who gets laid off We are compelled to write these few lines because every time work gets slack in the plant he gets busy figuring where he can chop off some member's head.

How many of our members are going to start the New Year right by sending a postcad to Taft and Hoffman, United States senators, Senate Building, and Ramey and Bender, United States representatives, Congressional Building, Washington, D. C., asking them to vote "No" on the Fact Finding Mediation Board and thirty-day cooling off period, to use their influence to bring on the floor of both houses the Wagner-Murray-Dingell Impoved Social Security Bill.

Brothers and sisters, are we of organized labor going to let a small minority group like the American Medical Association sell us their health insurance plan or the one that these three friends of labor have that is tied up in committees. Let's all get busy and do a job for future generations. Live for tomorrow and forget about today.

How long does Mr. Hill, trustee of Adams Township, think he is going to have the pleasure of getting improvements for the Inverness Golf Club at the expense of the taxpayers two and three miles away. This club is wealthy enough to pay for its own drainage improvements without taking it out of the pockets of the workers.

To our many friends who have returned, some after several years in the Armed Services of our country, you know by this time the reactionaries in Congress do not intend to do anything for you. So why not do something for yourselves by joining the Political Action Committee (PAC) and help us trim them down to the size that will make them harmless? We need your help to do this job. We know the most of you are liberals because we have talked to many members of the V. of F. W. who belong to the Greater Birmingham Post and if all the posts are like you we cannot fail this year and in 1948 to clean house by voting in our friends. Let's all get together and help PAC do the job. It only costs one dollar per year.

We understand since the little town of Holland, O., has been incorporated it is slowly going into the undertaker's hands. Also the old citizens do not believe in the up-to-date PAC. They continually fight the would-be's who are trying to make a real town out of it. Maybe the Rip Van Winkles will wake up before it is too late. Political Action builds up towns, it does not tear them down. Ask the men who belong, they know where they are going. Why don't you all join and get the fog out of your eyes?

Canco Unit Opener

By Carmen Nader

SO IT GOES

Paul Ceravolo expressed himself in a novel way at our regular Unit meeting last month, when he told us the story of a ladies' lingerie salesman. Ask him about it!

Anyone wanting pancakes for breakfast see Marion Goodman. Or is it waffles, Marion?

Don (Penthouse) Roesler just can't seem to forget that he's an electrician, even when he's out. Whenever there's a bulb missing anyplace he is right there, Donnie on the spot!

We haven't heard any of those bedtime stories as told by Frank Falkenberg for a long time.

The folks at our plant are wondering where Erwin Grimm gets all of that pep since he got promoted.

What became of the shadow that was behind since Nowak? (That was only Bob Bernard bobbing up and analyzing something or other.)

Why Bernie Zielinski didn't come in last Tuesday? Did his car really catch cold or was it the muskrat haunting him all night?

Did Orpha Woodring wash the dishes the night she bowled her 214 game? Come, come, Orpha, fess up!

Is Francis Woods still catching the big ones? We mean fish of course.

Does Helen Johnson miss Mr. Gus Burke?

Last, but not least, does Mary Bishop have a beau?

UNLESS YOU KNEW

That the two new girls in department 14 are called Irene and Thelma.

That our supervisor of personnell is the son of a Chicago attorney.

That the president of Canco gets in the neighborhood of $105,000 per year. (Nice neighborhood, eh!)

That certain salaried employees received a 10 per cent wage boost. (And all that they had to do was ask for it.)

Now that you know, consider yourself educated.

Bathtubs In, Up Go Rents

LYNCHBURG, Va., Dec. 24 (LPA)—Who says inflation isn't here—and not because of wage increases!

Cotton textile workers at the Consolidated Mills here, a plant whose minimum wage is 55 cents and where a considerable portion of the whole plant are paid wages clustering fairly close to the starting rate, have been notified that a group of about 50 mill houses have been sold to a private real estate concern and that their weekly rents which have been 95 cents will now be $3.50. The excuse which is given for the increase in rentals is that after many years of pressing for bare decencies of living, bathtubs are being installed in these houses!

The action of the Consolidated Co. in selling mill owned houses to a private operator is fairly typical of what goes on in the cotton textile industry since the unions began to establish tolerable wage standards in the industry.

The houses at Lynchburg are typical mill houses — flimsy board structures, built on stilts, usually in poor condition and often without indoor plumbing.

The Lynchburg workers have notified their employer they do not intend to pay the extortionate charges which the new owners announce. Moreover, evictions will be resisted. Meanwhile the union is demanding that OPA investigate this situation and rapidly get rent control regulations into the area.

Displaced Youngsters Study

WASHINGTON (LPA)—Education of more than 200,000 children among the displaced persons in Germany is under the supervision of Walter Bergman, former vice-pesident of the American Federation of Teachers-AFL, who is now UNRRA director of education in the American-occupied zone for children whose parents were Jews or imported as slave-labor by the Nazis.

Drug Lobby Is Walloped

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (LPA) — The so-called "fair trades" act for the District of Columbia is still stalled in committee as a result of a storm of consumer and labor oppostion. The bill, itroduced by Sen. Leverett Saltonstall (R., Mass.) is the pride of the drug retailers' lobby. According to the Federal Trade Commission, it has been put through in 45 states, and in only three of the first 32 states were public hearings held.

Ostensibly, the bill would prevent "cut-throat competition" by maintaining standard retail prices on all trade-marked merchandise.

Actually, hearings before the Senate District Committee brought out, the measure would mean an immediate increase in price of 10% to 40% on all standard-brand goods This would include drugs, foods, tires, liquor, and cosmetics

Only after hearings were formally closed did consumers discover that the measure was being considered. They forced reopening, and after the holiday recess the committee will resume hearings, to receive testimony including a sensational report from the Federal Trade Commission exposing the way the "fair trades" measures have been passed in the states

Wanna Buy a Plant?

WASHINGTON — (LPA) — Chances for ful employment and speedy reconversion may be vitally harmed unless a sound policy for disposal and use of $14,000,000 worth of government constructed property is agreed on, according to the Civilian Production Agency (peace time successor to WPB). To date, there has been a loss of about 30c on the dollar on the less than 300 plants that have been or are being disposed of; and a greater loss is expected on the rest of the 1300 wartime constructions because naturally they will be less desirable, the longer they remain out of use.

Stassen For Labor

NEW YORK (LPA) — Harold E. Stassen, former governor of Minnestota, told the Natl. Assn. of Manufacturers they should not put legislative shackles on labor's right to strike. "If you pull down the house of labor you will pull down the house of America." he said in a talk at a session which elected Robert R. ason to succeed NAM president Ira Mosher.

Toledo Stamping Notes

"Do you know who phoned me last nite?" asks Rose Thorzynski, with stars in her eyes. "Don't tell us," we counter, stalling for time, then, "You don't mean - - - - ?" "Yes," she gaily replies "He called from Boston. He'll be home in a few days." Merry Xmas.

Kenny Tabbert is going around in circles. He said he is engaged to be married in June. Now it sounds like a new version of a DOUBLE wedding.

It would seem to this observer, that the membership is unknowingly bringing a hardship upon themselves by not voluntarily attending their union meetings which seems certain to bring about some action in the way of a fine. We're sure they wouldn't like that. "Verbum sat sapienti."

Overheard at the coffee window—"She is a suicide Blonde, dyed by her own hand."

Helen Pugh enjoyed a birthday this week. Christmas presents double duty.

Doris, Zelma and Marge are streamlining the figures via the diet routine. Mmmm! Glamour and holidays. It looks like great days ahead.

Editors: We accept your explanation of the paper shortage as the reason for last weeks' cut up column. Brother, you sure did a fine CHOPPY job of it. As a Xmas present, try to squeeze this in this week, will you? Thanks.

Editor's Note: Just call me Butch.

Women Due Equal Pay

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 (LPA)—Equal pay for equal work, regardless of sex, is the principle established by the War Labor Board's recommendation last week to the General Electric Corp. and the Westinghouse Electric Co. Fifty thousand women, employes of the two firms, would each receive a 4c-an-hour increase amounting to an average of $120 a year.

The United Electrical & Radio Workers-CIO, which has been battling for this for two years, considers it a 'down payment" on its demanded $2 a day wage increase for all employes. A strike of the 200,000 UE workers may be called early in January if these two companies, and the electrical division of General Motors, the other member of the "big three," persist in their refusal to negotiate.

Back pay amounting to $2,500,000 will also be paid the women employes, if the companies accede to the WLB recommendations and a fund, based on 2c per hour per woman, is to be established by the companies for future disposition as agreed on by the employers and the union.

Hunger Draws No Lines

WASHINGTON (LPA) — Thirty-four senators, party lines forgotten, signed a petition here last week asking President Truman to avert "wholesale starvation and pestilence now threatening Europe" by raising the present level of food rations and by giving permission to private relief organizations to work with occupation forces in Germany and Austria, as well as by restoring mail and postage service. Signatures of 18 Republicans, 13 Democrats and one Progressive were on the petition.

The Fight For Health And Homes

by BEN DOR
LPA Columnist

Let's look at the new health bill from the point of view of the doctor. Or better still, let's look at it from the point of view of the young medical student, the fellow studying to be a doctor.

Medical school nowadays is six to eight years of tough hard work. The ordinary smart students get dropped year after year. Only the smartest ones finally get through. Expenses are big; school fees may run as much as $1000 per year, even more, and books and laboratory fees come extra—and high. Then it takes years to get a practice set up, years during which the average person of the same age has already gotten married, and is well started on his life's career.

Then what happens? Does the doctor get rich? Maybe. A lot of doctors do. But a lot of them don't. Let's look at the figures.

In 1929, the top year of the golden age of American prosperity, one-third of the doctors in this country earned less than $50 per week. Half of the ordinary run-of-the-house doctors made less than $75 per week. Pretty good pickings for what the medical student goes through.

—And The Patient

At the other side of the picture, during the same year, there were millions of people who needed medical care and weren't getting it. Millions of them were youngsters who, 12 years later, would be turning up at draft boards all over the country—to be turned down for physical unfitness. A little medical attention in 1929 would have put health and vigor into their bodies—and dollars into the pockets of many doctors who needed them.

But the two didn't get together. They didn't get together because many of the youngsters, and the oldsters too who needed medical care, lived a long way from the nearest doctor. They lived in areas so poor or so thinly populated that no doctor could live on what the patients there could provide in the way of fees.

Or they lived in cities where there were plenty of doctors, but they couldn't pay for the prevention, or early curative, care that they needed.

President Truman's new health plan is a way of bringing together these two groups of people who need each other so badly—the doctors and the patients.

The Opposition

But, you may ask, if the doctors need patients so badly, and if the bill would provide the patients they need, why does the medical profession oppose the bill.

I'm not sure that the medical profession DOES oppose the bill. The medical associations oppose it, but they're not the profession. They're only the high-paid members of it, many of them specialists, the big income boys who have made good and don't care much what happens to the rest. While everybody has to belong to the associations, these are the men who run them. And it is these men who make the speeches and write the articles in opposition to the Wagner-Murray-Dingell Health Bill.

True, there are a lot of doctors today who are well off. The war took a lot of the competition out of the medical field. At the same time, it gave a lot of people more aches and pains to worry about. So doctors have had a boom just like every other person who had anything to sell.

But, now, what about the doctors who are coming out of the army with their old practices gone? And those who went into the army from medical school and never had a chance to set up a practice? The stay-at-homes may be fat and sassy; the ones who are coming back from war are plenty worried. But the medical associations don't speak for the worried doctors.

Some of the doctor-veterans are finding their voices, too. And some of the others are beginning to worry about their own futures now that take-home pay is on the skids. And even among the well-paid doctors there are some who feel their social responsibilities. These doctors are, most of them, for the bill. If you can find them, get together with them, and work on this issue with them, you may be able to get the facts before the public in time to put this bill over.

The doctor would be better off, the people would be better off, and the country would be better off.

Housing

The big construction boys, like the big medical boys, just refuse to look the facts in the face. Just as the big-medicine boys haven't delivered the medical care this country needs, so the big-construction boys haven't delivered the housing the people need. And they refuse to admit how badly they've failed, because the profits of failure are so big.

The present housing mess is a good example of the complete bankruptcy of thinking among the builders. The country needs housing badly. We need about 9 million housing units right now, and about 500,000 more become unusable each year. A great share of the new housing must be for the rental market. The bulk of the houses built for sale should be in the $4000-$5000 class.

Yet, the builders just don't seem able to understand why labor is against the program for building practically all sale housing, and in the $8000-and-up class at that.

I don't know whether there's any use in trying to explain any longer. Maybe the thing to do is to save your breath and effort for the big push; the job of getting the Wagner-Ellender-Taft Housing Bill passed. That bill would do what arguing with the private builders never has done; that is, provide houses and jobs.

SPOT YOUR MEETINGS

Editor's Note: No time is better to make good resolves than the beginning of the new year. We suggest that you resolve to attend more of your Unit and Local Union meetings during 1946. Remember A GOOD UNION MEMBER ATTENDS UNION MEETINGS. Pick out your meeting and make a sincere effort to attend.

NEXT WEEK'S MEETINGS

Wednesday—DeVilbiss, Plaskon, Surface Combustion.

Thursday—Tillotson.

Friday—Rathbun-Jones, Swartzbaugh, Willys-Overland, 8:00 p. m.

Saturday—Buckeye Paint, 2:00 p. m.

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The Standard Bulletin

Local 497—Standard Products—Port Clinton

Sub zero weather and a 25 mph wind that freezes you thru, and those GM Picketeers pounding the pavement 24 hours per day that they and you may have a better future, better working conditions and better pay . . . 'member the old days with the company Clubs 'n what not and the only one that got the nod were those that sold themselves for a mess a pottage and the company stooges . . . if you didn't fit in with the LaGrees of the stockade, you really took the boot and there was NEVER a days work put out but your best day should have been better . . . a buk a week for those GMers who are taken the rap while you are in the warm with 2 pay chex per month is pretty cheap insurance for those better 2 moros on up ahead . . .

There isn't a more conscientious or harder working member-employee than Gram Estep, well over 60 and with Gramp in bad health and to take care of each shop day done, she's always on the ball and side stepping none of the many various jobs her stewardship calls for and this is one of her items for the column this week . . . Come on stewards, let's all get new members for our UAW-CIO. People are sure coming in fast at the shop to work and now is the time to get behind the wheels and push . . . such spirit shud be an incentive to all of us . . . Gram is steward in Dept. 1 and one of the plant's largest departments.

Your committee gets a great kick out of negotiation meetings with his nibs when the Standards Little Napolean, "Saginaw Nap" speaks from his head of the conference table in terms of "me" and "mine" . . . this is "my" plant . . . I won't give you fellas all "my" shirt and all "my" buttons, etc. etc. etc . . . Bushwa to Allah . . . reminds us of Esquires satire and ridicule

Race Covenant Suit Out

HOLLYWOOD, Calif. (LPA) —Fighting for retention of their homes, 50 prominent Negro householders here received forthright backing from the judge who dismissed the suits of white owners basing their claim for ouster of the Negroes on a neighborhood restriction. Said the judge: "It is time that members of the Negro race are accorded, without reservation and evasions, the full rights guaranteed them under the 14th Amendment".

Joint Council Jottings

Locals 363 & 35 URWDSEA-CIO

KUEHMANN UNIT:

We had our Christmas Party last week end, with a swell buffet lunch served by the entertainment committee. The Stewards helped and sure did their share of the work. One of the girls got a tree and several others trimmed it. Ellis Kroll put up the lights for us and cooperated in every way he possibly could. In fact all of the foremen did.

We had a general and a table gift exchange, the presents all were lovely and everybody got just what they wanted.

There was also plenty to drink, including coffee.

We would like to take this way of thanking the Kuehmann Company for the swell party and baskets and contents presented to each of us Tuesday, December 18th. It surely was a pleasant surprise and is being enjoyed over the Holidays.

We also thank the Committee, the girls and the fellows who made the party a success. Thanks again and a Merry Christmas and a Successful New Year is the sincere wish of all of the employees.

POP CORN PRODUCTS:

A Very Merry Christmas party was held at the Pop Corn plant Friday, December 21st. Turkey, mashed potatoes, dressing, cranberies, jello and plenty of Christmas cheer were enjoyed by the employees and Mr. Kuehmann and Mr. Bremforder as guests.

Farmers Assail FSA Appointment

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 (LPA)—Appointment of Dillard Lasseter as Farm Security Administrator "makes the future of farm security very dark indeed," the National Farmers' Union charged last week.

Lasseter was appointed by Secretary of Agriculture Clinton Anderson, despite advocacy of the Farm Security Administration program to aid small farmers.

Over a period of several years, Congress has whittled down the FSA's functions until it is merely a skeleton agency. With the end of the war, FSA's supporters hoped for a revival of its functions, which had included aiding small farmers to buy property and homes, to manage their farms eficiently, to get out of debt, and has provided decent facilities for the "Okies" and other migrant farm labor.

"In the fact of this situation," the Farmers' Union said, "the secretary of agriculture has chosen to designate as the head of this vital agency a man who knows nothing whatever about it." Lasseter was never connected with the farm program, and comes from a post with the War Manpower Commission in Atlanta, Ga.

'Strikes No Fun'

NEW YORK (LPA)—"Strikes are not fun," said the Rev. Dr. Allan Knight Chalmers in a sermon here last week. "They are the often-times desperate attempt which men make because they want a chance to live, not merely exist." Calling attention to the "charge account" on juvenile delinquency, strikes and other social problems which is now "due" because of lack of adequate planning, the minister summed up: "When people tell us of the church to stick to our business, remember that when we go into the complicated conflicts of society we are doing the business of the church."

Safe Place For "A" Bomb Is Suggested

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 (LPA)—"The safest place on this tortured planet should an atomic war break out will be deep below the surface of the ocean," the Senate Atomic Energy Committee was told last week.

Dr. Alvin M. Weinberg, chief of the theoretical physics section of the Clinton Laboratories at Oak Ridge, Tenn., and one of a series of scientists who have been heard by the committee once again posed the terrible choice between using atomic energy of warfare or devoting its fabulous power to human welfare.

Atomic energy, he said, can be used, for example, in treating 100 persons at a time for certain types of cancer. Industrial development would be possible in vast regions devoid of water power, and settlement of the Arctic would be feasible.

International Control

Another scientist, Dr. John A. Simpson, a member of the Nuclear Studies Institute, University of Chicago, declared that peace requires international control of the bomb, and Dr. Clarke Williams, of the Manhattan Project, advocated "a complete inspection system carried on by some international agency", adding that scientists and engineers contend that an international inspection organization is technically feasible.

Simpson warned that "in any atomic armament race the United States in the long run will find itself in a very unfavorable position, due to highly concentrated population and industry. No nation can withstand a large scale atomic bomb attack. It may lose a sizeable portion of its population in a few hours of warfare. In the immediate future, before other countries also have bombs, the United States must take the lead," he concluded, "in reshaping international affairs to obtain world security."

'Women Work, Too'

CHICAGO (LPA)—This title appeared over a letter from a railroadman's wife, published in the Signalman's Journal for December. Says the home-maker: "Various books of rules do not state that the signalman's wife must live on the railroad too but she usually does . . . within a hundred yards of the tracks, no bathrooms, no electricity, dangerous cesspools . . . and any request for help in making repairs is apparently filed away for attention in another century." She recommends that unionists act fast on "improving our living conditions."

War Victims UNRRA Aid

WASHINGTON (LPA) — In time to relieve at least some of the suffering in Europe and Asia as an aftermath of the war, Congress last week finally passed and President Truman signed a bill authorizing appropriation of an additional $1,350 million to the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration.

Funds are given to UNRRA by members of the United Nations on the basis of one per cent of the national income each year. Originally, $1,836,000 was appropriated by Congress toward the United States quota of $1,883,000,000.

Typo Wages Up

CLEVELAND (LPA)—A wage raise of nearly 30 per cent has been won by the International Typographical Union-AFL here. The new contract, retroactive to the expiration of the old one in November, provides: a minimum rate increase of $2.93 per day, holidays with pay or double time when worked. Mailers on Cleveland papers also received pay boosts, amounting to $10.02 per week. The AFL Typos who got the gains had the support of the CIO Newspaper Guild.

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Congress Is Sensitive

As Congress gets under way following the year-end holidays, it may be expected to show a more tolerant attitude toward labor than has been evident during 1945.

This change of heart will not be because Congress loves labor more, but because 1946 brings the Congressional elections and Congressmen are extremely sensitive to the views of their constituents, particularly just prior to the nominations and elections.

Anti-labor laws which have been presented to various congressional committees will have tougher going between now and May when the Congressional nominations will be held in many states. A lot of Congressmen's ears will become sharply attuned to what labor is saying in Washington and at home.

In the Ninth Ohio congressional district which embraces Lucas and Ottawa counties, Congressman Ramey will undoubtedly be the candidate of the Republican party, not because the party is particularly fond of Mr. Ramey, but because they do not have another candidate capable of beating both the Republican incumbent and a strong Democratic opponent.

Just who the Democrats will run is still open to discussion in party circles, but the two most outstanding possibilities are Councilman Tom Burke elected to his second term in City Council and Vice-Mayor V. DiSalle.

From the standpoint of labor, Mr. Burke would be by far the most acceptable candidate, although Vice-Mayor DiSalle's record both in City Council and as Chairman of the Toledo Labor-Management-Citizens Committee would stand him in good stead should Mr. Burke decide not to seek the Democratic congressional nomination.

Soon a decision must be made by the candidates who intend to seek the nomination in the May primary. The deadline for filing petitions for county, state and congressional nominations is Feb. 6, slightly over one month away. Labor is interested in the candidates this year to a greater extent than ever, for the future of the labor movement is clearly dependent upon progressive social legislation and labor is increasingly aware of its stake in government.

As we approach 1946, we recognize that it will be a crucial year for labor and for the entire country. Labor must show its keen interest now and in the future months in selecting forward-looking and progressive candidates who will enter the national and state legislative halls with the avowed purpose of advancing the social welfare of America, by presenting or backing progressive legislation which will bring to the entire country the benefits which organized labor has been seeking for years.

Production In 1946

As soon as the New Year enters, the industrial managements which have been staging a strike for the past months will again begin to operate, thus proving to all that industry was quite willing to kill not two, but three birds with the same stone.

By placing a premium on the employers' strike, the Federal Government not only made it profitable for industry to rest on its oars during the last weeks of 1945; but subsidized the job which the industrial tycoons did on the workers.

A third and important point was that the manufacturers of consumers' goods were able to place a lot of pressure on the Office of Price Administration to force higher ceilings.

It may be true that there's nothing new under the sun, but the fact remains that for the first time in the history of this country, the taxpayers, who are largely workers, have paid their money into their government which in turn has seen fit to pass it back to the employers of the nation and in so doing aid them to harass the unions and obstruct the best interests of the majority of the people of this country.

When the history of this period of the postwar is written, it will present some solid experience to the workers of America who will probably not be able to use it in the future, because some smart people are always employed by the industrialists to figure out new ways and means of slipping over fast ones on the workers.

Now that the free ride is over for corporations, we confidently expect industry to take on new life and begin to do the things that should have been done weeks ago. Even General Motors will be more inclined to listen to reason.

Political Action

by Clayton Rusch
Chairman of the Political Action Committee

As this column is being written we are nearing the end of 1945. This has been a momentous year. Many far-reaching events have taken place. While many of these have signified the beginning of a new and better era, other events denote much trouble in the years ahead.

Many gallant soldiers lost their lives in 1945. Among those who were killed in action was the crusader for a more just and humane government who had risen to be President and was the only man to serve more than two full terms in that office.

The leadership of Franklin D. Roosevelt would be invaluable to us in this period of readjustment. We are now denied his personal leadership, but the social program he believed in can be carried out if we have the will and put forth the effort.

Probably the outstanding single event of 1945 was the demonstration that atomic power has finally been accomplished.

ATOMIC POWER

Atomic energy is the means which can make possible a world in which the forces of nature will be so utilized and controlled that a thirty-hour week and a luxurious standard of living will be possible for the entire world population.

It is however, equally possible, if not more probable, that atomic energy will be used as an agent of destruction, and its powers for good not properly developed.

The development of atomic energy cannot serve its best purpose unless it is developed and controlled by a world organization and utilized for purposes of shortening hours and increasing living standards.

This will reqire not only a world organization to prevent the use of atomic power for war, but also a real industrial democracy to insure that the people will benefit instead of the industrialists profits being increased.

It has only been nine months since Roosevelt died, but his social program is being bitterly attacked by the reactionaries who feel that now is the time to liquidate the labor movement.

SAVING PROGRAM

If this social program is to be saved in 1946 two things are necessary: (1) The public must wholeheartedly support the program of the CIO to gain wage increases to make up for the loss of overtime, brought about by the end of the war, and (2) The public must support the program of the PAC to obtain passage of legislation which will guarantee that big business shall be sufficiently regulated and controlled to assure jobs for all with adequate social security.

We start the new year in the midst of a battle on both the economic and the political fronts. On the economic front is the fight for decent wages. On the political front is the struggle to preserve our democratic rights and go forward to jobs for all through enactment of adequate legislation.

In a sense, the batch of anti-labor bills now before Congress are repercussions of the economic fight, for the selfish type of industrialists see the handwriting on the wall and are trying to destroy the labor movement while there is still time.

All of us must make a New Year's resolution to see that the people win out in the struggle for higher wages and adequate social legislation. If we do this and put forth a real effort we shall win; for while the reactionaries have more money we certainly have the most votes.

On behalf of the PAC I extend best wishes for a Happy New Year to One and All.

Mark Starr sends three quips which are worth passing on:

The Daugthers of the American Revolution are so anxious to avoid becoming the mothers of revolution that they exercise thought control.

For many years trade union leaders tried to give the sweatshop boss stomach ulcers; now through union health schemes they can look after their own.

A worker's definition of collective bargaining: First you collect together, then you bargain, then you collect from the boss.

It's News To Me . . .

By O. J. Pecord

PROGNOSTICATIONS

Anybody can look back at the past, but it takes a labor columnist to peer into the future and predict some of the things which will occur in the coming year.

And so my friends and others, this prognosticator of things to come is now intently studying his crystal ball and will predict with a great deal of certainty what will occur during 1946.

War will still continue in the Orient. A great army will no doubt be defeated, maybe not decisively, but nevertheless defeated.

General Marshall will promote international good will by learning how to eat with chop sticks.

Frederick C. Crawford will rise at the 1946 convention of the National Association of Manufacturers, wave his arms and tell his envious fellow labor-haters how to defeat the unions.

There will be an earthquake in Japan of mild, moderate or severe proportions. If severe, General MacArthur will issue an edict expressing the sympathy of the American government with the unfortunate Nipponese.

Rudolph Hess, Fatty Goering and one other German prisoner will again proclaim their undying love for Herr Hitler.

General Motors strike will be settled.

Memebers of the United Automobile Workers-CIO will hold a convention. There will be no vote on the No-strike pledge this year. Brother George Addes will make no hotel lobby speeches at this year's convention.

POLITICAL

Congressman Homer A. Ramey will permit himself to be induced to run for re-election to Congress, later on admitting that he loves his job.

Governor Frank J. Lausche will make at least one informal talk before telling the peepul of Ohio that he wants to be governor for another term. Several labor leaders will say that Governor Frank Lausche isn't really as holy as he seems. It's just the way he talks out of his mouth.

Addison Q. Thacher will still be resilient.

Mayor Lloyd E. Roulet will be re-elected to serve his last term as Mayor under the PR form of election.

The Toledo Blade will succeed in popularizing City Manager George N. Schoonmaker to the point where he will make a good candidate for mayor after PR is ditched.

Oh yeah. There will be no more elections under PR.

Chairman John P. Kelly will meet behind closed doors with a federal office holder who loves his job as completely as he fears the Hatch Act.

INDUSTRIAL

Lloyd Haney will issue a statement to the press. It won't be good.

Management will make gestures toward the veterans. And that won't do any good either.

Members of the Chamber of Commerce will meet to consider ways and means of meeting the labor clamor for bringing more industries to Toledo.

PAC will be scrutinized by the FBI to make certain that it is not breaking the laws.

The NAM and U. S. Chamber of Commerce will not donate to the fall political campaign, but a lot of members will.

New gadgets will flood the market with industry making it a point to try and prevent too many people from purchasing too many of them thus leading to one Hell of an argument with the Unions.

Some industrialist will remember to point out that it is managements prerogative to set prices and that labor must not invade the sacred rights of management.

Senator So-and-So in a speech before the American Bankers Association will praise "free enterprise" and tell his delighted audience that "What America needs is more business in government and less government in business."

The new president of the National Association of Manufacturers will be a good friend of Frederick C. Crawford. Crawford will deliver another radio talk praising American industry for "free enterprise".

The stock of the American Shootgun Co. will reach a new high on Wall St. while the Wall St. Journal will clamor for easing restrictions and advocate a better deal in margins.

Good $4000 houses will be sold for $8000, while the building trades will demand and get higher wages.

About that time you will be admonished to "Do Your Christmas Shopping Early." Stores will be packed with people in the biggest purchasing splurge in the history of retail merchandising. Merry Christmas! Gesundheit! And once again. "A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL".

Editor's Mail

He Wants Co-Ops

Still down here on the plains of Texas where the breezes really blow. I have been bucking the wind so long that I'm beginning to lean 45 degrees forward.

Because I haven't had that promised privilege of scanning the JOURNAL I have had to be content with the "human" side of the news.

Whether I'm human or not, it's pretty hard to swallow the figures of many of these so-called "economic experts".

Knowing that you're quite a mathematical genius yourself and in a position to publicize the figures, I can't understand why the strongest barrier against inflation is only very mildly encouraged.

This barrier is none other than co-operative buying.

The advantages found in the co-operative movement has been encouraged by very few union people. My friend Claude Hess from Willys is one of these.

Not as a favor to me, but for purely educational reasons, I wish you would write a column on co-ops.

Thanks a lot, and until I see you in some of Toledo's better drinking places, I am,

Sincerely yours,
Pvt. Fritz Kulti,
Formerly of W.-O. Unit.

Grateful

Chicago, Illinois
Mr. Richard Gosser
Dear Sir:

I am very rateful for having been the recipient of the monthly box that was sent to me during the war period. It was a fine effort and a real accomplishment — certainly many fellows had their morale boosted many times through the sacrifices of those whose contributions made this accomplishment possible.

Many of us are still in uniform, but for most of us the separation center is in sight even though it may yet be a year or so away

The war's end has given us real cause to be merry. This will be a very happy Christmas indeed.

For my part, I hope that those many people who gave consideration to the fellows in uniform will find this Christmas especially blessed. This of course includes many members of Local No. 12 CIO.

Yours sincerely,
Pfc. Paul E. Geiger
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Asks About PAC

Dear Sir:

I understand that the PAC-CIO has a strong organization in Toledo and would like to secure information about it and the work it is doing. We are discussing PAC in a study group to which I belong.

Any information which you may be able to give me will be greatly appreciated.

Mary VanOrmer,
Crissfield, Md.

Editor's note: This letter was referred to the Political Action Committee

Washington Labor Report

By Bradford V. Carter

GREETINGS TO GOOD GUYS

In the appropriate yuletide spirit, we want to send our special greetings for exceptionally meritorious service in the interest of all the people. In the intrigue-laden atmosphere of Washington, it is no mean achievement, to hew to ideals of progressivism in season and out of season— so here goes!

To **Chester Bowles,** OPA Administrator, for his good fight to preserve price control and for his resistance to profit-happy pressure groups who want no limit except the sky. In contrast to 95% of the top-side administrators, he stuck to his guns when political expediency might have dictated otherwise.

To **Senator James Murray** of Montana for his hard-hitting campaign in behalf of the Full-employment Bill which unfortunately is being emasculated by a reactionary House of Representatives. Although the bill had many deficiencies, it gave meaning to the nation's hungry search for full employment and full production.

To Congressman Frank Hook of Michigan who has voted and fought on the side of progress on every issue which has arisen in Congress. And we're not forgetting his tussle with the unspeakable Congressman Rankin, either.

TO SENATOR WAGNER

To **Senator Wagner** of New York for introducing a health insurance program in spite of the bittter opposition of that repository of medical monopoly, the American Medical Association.

To **Senator Glen Taylor** of Idaho, a freshman Senator who is becoming rapidly the most outspoken liberal in Congress today.

To **Senator Dennis Chavez** of New Mexico for his valiant efforts in behalf of racial minorities in leading the battle for the Fair Employment Practices Committee.

To **Congressman Andrew J. Biemiller** of Wisconsin, who in his first term in Congress fulfilled the promise of being a fortright spokesman for the rights of labor.

To **William M. Leiserson,** labor advisor at large who has more common sense things to say about labor affairs than most other people around here and whose advice unfortunately has not been taken.

To **Dillon Meyer,** director of the War Relocation Authority, who has handled the messy problem created by the relocation of Japanese-Americans with sympathy and courage.

To **Secretary of the Interior Harold Ickes** for his fortitude in staying in the Cabinet after the boys from Missouri have taken over the Administration

To the many second and third tier government officials who have rendered anonymous service in behalf of the ordinary consumers and workers, often at great risk!

To all of you, we send our greetings.

What's New?

By Pfc. Edward Duck On Leave With The U. S. Army

FT. SAN HOUSTON, Texas, Dec. 21—Hello folks, here I am back again, but short.

I'm in the hospital and not as a visitor. It's something with the gall bladder and it isn't good. I know because my skin is as yellow as saffron and I itch like just like I did when we were ducking the big ones over in Germany.

I don't want to spend much time talking about myself except to say that I have missed writing my column and will be coming up with something in time for the next issue of the JOURNAL. That is, if the doc says okeh. If not, maybe I can do it anyway.

One nice thing about being on the sick list is that I do have plenty of time for reading and thinking. I'm enclosing an article for ye editor to read to prove it.

I want to wish all the people in Local 12, my friends on the various shop committees ad others with whom I served while at 12 a Merry Christmas.

Things don't look too overly bright from here for 1946, but my hope for all of you is that 1946 will really prove to be Happy and Prosperous.

Regional Views

By Richard Gosser
Director Region 2B, UAW-CIO

OUR FUTURE

While we greet 1946 in a spirit of hope and wish that it would bring for all the workers an opportunity to live life more abundantly, we are aware of the forces which oppose us and recognize that our fight for economic justice cannot be won by wishful thinking.

In this spirit, and because of the increased seriousness of the economic crisis facing the country, we have made arrangements for a regional meeting to be held in Lima, Jan. 5.

The situation which we of labor face is as dangerous as any which has ever threatened us. Our whole future, the very life of our organization itself is at stake. We cannot close our eyes to reality, but must meet the crisis in unity and with the determination to overcome the obstacles which are placed in our path.

SOLIDARITY

Those who remember the struggles which we had when we first organized will recall that we won the right to organize and gained recognition because of our solidarity. Today, we are again up against a crisis which calls for the same unselfish unity, the willingness to sidetrack our personal feelings in a united effort to win the right to live under decent conditions with a voice in our own destiny.

Make no mistake about it, we are in one of the greatest fights of our existence. The struggle against the General Motors Corporation is but one sign of the opposition with which we are faced in our struggle for adequate living wages and the protection of the consuming public of which we are an important part.

It is because of this constant fight which we of organized labor must make in order to not only maintain our living standards, but to continue to exist as an organization that I am taking this opportunity to urge all who can possibly do so to attend the Jan. 5 meeting in Lima. Your presence will add to the unity of the Auto Workers in this region and throughout the country and demonstrate that we are not only interested in our future welfare, but that we are determined to do something about it.

GREETINGS

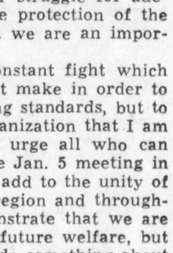
Finally, I want to wish all the officers and members of the Union and our friends a Happy New Year, realizing as I do so that happiness is not a gift, but must be won by those who seek it.

We can end 1946 well advanced upon the road to progress leading to greater social gains and more security only by uniting ourselves in the fight against the forces of reaction who even now are plotting and acting to weaken and destroy us.

We can win happiness this year by having the courage and determination to fight for the things which we believe are right and never surrender to those whose main interest in life is to return us to the days when we were a weak and disorganized group of workers.

I am hopeful that this will be a Happy New Year for you and your's.

From The Desk of Melvin Schultz



President, Local 12, UAW-CIO

HAPPY NEW YEAR

May I wish everyone A Happy New Year and may the Year 1946 see a better understanding between men and in particular let us hope that the working men and women of our Nation will realize many of the goals for which World War II was fought.

During the Year 1945, we saw through our newspaper accounts the battles of World War II rage first from one side to the other climaxing by V-E Day and anti-climaxing with V-J Day. I am sure that everyone is thankful to the fighting men and women of our Country for having brought the war to a successful conclusion so that we do not have to live under the heel of suppression known to the people of the Fascist Nations.

Local No. 12, during the Year 1945, succeeded in attaining increases in pay for its membership which when combined into a total runs into many millions of dollars. Our organization has brought the security of seniority to many new shops during the past year. We have promoted numerous outstanding events in our Community. Within our organization we held the First Annual Executive Shop Committeemen and Shop Stewards' Dinner and promoted the First Annual UAW-CIO Baseball Nite at Swayne Field. Successes have far out-numbered any failures and it is with great pride that we see the end of the Year 1945 come closer.

We are now whole-heartedly in support of the workers of the General Motors Corporation and have every confidence that the Year 1946 will see improved relations and better living conditions for them through a satisfactory economic settlement negotiated by our Union with their Management.

Again, let me wish everyone A Very Happy New Year.

HE'S AGIN US

"Will anyone deny that the CIO and the Communists are the main proponents and sponsors of the so-called full employment bill, the bill to fix the minimum wage at 65 cents per hour, and the bill to pay $25 per week to those unemployed. If you question these assertions, I will ask you what badges the gang of approximately 300 wore as they marched about the Capitol grounds trying to intimidate Congress into passing this legislation. You know they wore a badge carrying the words, 'CIO Delegate.' You further know there were very few of them that could speak more than broken English except the Negroes they brought along with them."

—Congressman John Gibson
(polltax, Georgia)

Stork Club, Famous Night Spot, Accurately Re-Created for Film

By Burny Zawodny

One of the best known of New York's after-dark landmarks, the Stork Club, was duplicated exactly by B. G. DeSylva for his production, "The Stork Club," starring Betty Hutton, coming to Paramount Theatre.

The motion picture replica is certainly not the most lavish nightclub set built in Hollywood, for the excellent reason that the original is not an especially plushy place. The Stork is known more for the company it keeps—for the celebrities of the theatre, the movies, society and politics who go there—than for the luxury of its precincts.

Burny Zawodny

However, to reproduce in painstaking detail the Billingsley place of business was a more difficult and expensive project than the biulding of imaginary and far more pretentious-looking movie bistros. Hollywood set builders will tell you that it is always harder to match and copy something than it is to start from scratch and create a piece of fiction.

The carbon copy shows both the inside and outside of the Stork Club. The front and canopied doorway at No. 3 East Fifty-third Street have been duplicated. Inside the door is a full-sized, inch-by-inch facsimile of what the customer sees when they visit the Stork.

Blueprints for the movie construction were drawn from the actual floor plans of the Stork Club sent to Hollywood by Sherman Billingsley, the owner and extraordinary host. Paramount's New York office took 400 photographs showing every nook and corner of the foyer, the barroom, main dining room, the exclusive Cub Room, the pantry and Billingsley's private office to guide the film builders. Art Director Earl Hedrick, who designed the set, made a trip to New York to make a study of the premises. When he returned he made a scale model of the Stork Club in miniature before starting work on the life-sized reproduction.

The tremendous task of duplicating colors, fabrics, and materials required references to hundreds of samples which were shipped to the studio from the club, mounted on boards and labeled to guide the interior decorating department in matching the furnishings.

Ye host Billingsley came to the rescue when the studio was unable to locate a duplicate pattern of the floor covering. He forwarded from his reserve stock enough of the carpeting to cover the set. He also provided from his own stores menu cards, wine lists, food and drink checks, cocktail napkins match folders, ashtrays and other accessories. The studio matched the silver service, table vases, water pitchers, crockery and glassware used at the Stork.

In making the screen double of the Cub Room, the club's kidney-shaped rendezvous for Broadway personalities and distinguished visiting firemen, DeSylva had to obtain formal permission to reproduce the colorful illustrations which line the walls. Permission was received from both the artists who painted the originals and from the beautiful models who posed for them.

Nine Hours On Horse Not Very Soft Berth

HOLLYWOOD—What started as a holiday on horseback proved to be a "tender" experience for actors Marshall Thompson and Bill Barnum recently. Here's why:

Marshall and Bill were told one day they wouldn't have to work in "Star From Heaven." They celebrated by going horseback riding for five hours. Then, as sometimes happens, M-G-M called them for work at two in the afternoon.

Marshall and Bill, a bit sore after their long trek in the saddle, reported to the set—to discover they were to be filmed on horseback!

The two spent a total of nine hours in the saddle that day!

"Tarzan" Adopts The Light Fantastic

HOLLYWOOD—At the same time that Fred Astaire was doing his last dance for Paramount's 'Blue Skies" before retiring from the screen, Johnny Weissmuller was going through his first dance scene before the cameras for "Swamp Fire," the William Pine-William Thomas picture presenting Weissmuller in his rfist modern action-romance story.

Previously seen only as Tarzan in movies, Weissmuller plays a commissioined bar pilot in "Swamp Fire," which affords him a variety of "firsts," including his first modern screen dialogue, loves scenes, hair-cut and movie fight with another man.

The scene called for Weissmulled to dance with both Virginia Grey and Carol Thurston, Weissmuller's romantic interests in the film. Because the action took place on a crowded dance floor, timing and position were important for camera angles and required a complicated routine.

"Guess Fred Astaire heard about this and decided it was time to quit," Weissmuller kidded.

Moppet Gets 'Break' In "Blue Skies" Role

HOLLYWOOD—The most envied actress in Hollywood recently was Karolyn Kay Grimes, a talented young movie performer of whom you probably have never heard.

She has honey-blond hair and dancing blue eyes and this is what she did.

She played opposite Bing Crosby in Irving Berlin's 'Blue Skies," the lavish Technicolor musical at Paromunt.

Together they did a long and tender love scene which will be one of the highlights of the picture.

While Director Stuart Heisler looked on approvingly, Karolyn played her thrilling role with all the aplomb of a seasoned trouper athough it was only the fourth time she had acted before a movie camera in her life.

Karolyn is five years old, the daughter of a Los Angeles grocery chain employe. She was chosen to play the daughter of Bing and Joan in t he screenplay which Sol C Siegel is producing.

Gay Romantic Comedy Set For Lionel Houser

HOLLYWOOD—Lionel Houser, previously under contract as a writer at Merto-Goldwyn-Mayer, now emerge as a new triple-threat with the assignment to produce "Faithful in My Fashion," gay romantic comedy for which he wrote the original story and the screenplay. His last writing screen credit was for "Hold High the Torch," latest Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Lassie picture not yet released.

In his first move as producer, Houser has awarded the directorial assignment to Sidney Salkow, who interrupted a promising pre-war career to serve for three years as a combat cameraman with the Marine Corps in the South Pacific.

"Faithful in My Fashion" having a bustling metropolitan department store as its background is the story of a returned soldier who expects to find the civilian world just as he left it and has difficulty adjusting himself to its subtle changes. It will go before the cameras in December.

Indoor Sports In Hollywood

When Van Johnson patronizingly offered to teach Esther Williams how to play marbles, the swimming wonder-girl easily demonstrated her ability to beat him at every game. The two were relaxing on the set of their next M-G-M musical, "Easy To Wed."

News and Gossip of Stage and Screen

The Sailor And The Lady

Robert Montgomery, back after long service overeas, stops to chat with Donna Reed during filming of M-G-M's "They Were Expendable," in which the two are co-starred at Loew's Valentine. In the film Montgomery will assume the same rank he really held in the Navy—that of Lieut. Commander.

Blessed Event At The Hume Cronyn's

HOLLYWOOD — A seven-pound daughter was born at the Cedars of Lebanon Hospital this week to the Hume Cronyns. named Tandy after her mother, Jessica Tandy, the new arrival is the third child, second daughter for the young screen couple.

Just a few weeks ago, Jessica completed a top featured role in M-G-M's filmization of the A. J. Cronin novel "The Green Years." In it she plays Hume's daughter. It is the second joint screen appearance of the couple. Last year they appeared as husband and wife in "The Seventh Cross" for which Hume won Academy Award nomination.

Iturbi-McDowal End Work In Musical Film

HOLLYWOOD — Jose Iturbi and Roddy McDowall have wound up their respective roles today in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "Holiday in Mexico," Technicolor film directed by George Sidney.

Scenes that remain to be filmed involve Walter Pidgeon, Illona Massey and Jane Powell. The film is produced by Joe Pasternak.

SONNY'S RIVAL

Sonny Tufts has Dick Foran for a rival for the hand of Diana Lynn in "Third Avenue," Paramount's forthcoming romantic comedy.

Andy Russell Makes Hectic Movie Debut

HOLLYWOOD—Andy Russell's first day as a movie actor was a hectic and trying one.

Bobby sock fans of the new singing sensation somehow got word of his eight o'clock call and when he reached Paramount to start work in B. G. DeSylvia's 'The Stork Club" with Betty Hutton, Barry Fitzgerald and others he found a boisterous reception at the gate.

Andy ran the gauntlet of the screeching girls, being mauled a bit in the melee and arrived inside the studio with a torn shirt, rumpled coat and askew tie. He had to make a hurried trip to the wardrobe department to get a replacement for the damaged shirt before reporting on the set.

Family On Hand

The Los Angeles-born crooner made his debut in front of the cameras before probably the largest family audience of any Hollywood newcomer. Seven of his ten brothers and sisters were on hand to witness the event, the Russell family, all living in L. A., having declared a holiday to turn out in force. The three missing brothers are overseas or they, too, doubtlessly would have been present.

Girls Crowd Set

When word spread about the studio lot that Andy was on Stage One the mail room department was practically emptied of messenger girls who wded about the set to get a glimpse of the popular singer. The sideline throng go so large and the sighs and giggles of the girls so loud that the set finally had to be cleared of visitors and closed before filming could proceed.

With all the excitement, Andy didn't sing a single note and had no dialogue scene during his whole first day's work. He plays a dance band crooner in the picture and was shown moving into an apartment with the rest of the orchestra members and getting ready for a rehearsal.

Famous Operas Are Coming To Town Hall Theater

Two Operettas of the past two decades that have achieved universal appeal, will be presented at the Town Hall Theatre Thursday, Friday and Saturday, January 3, 4 and 5.

Rudolf Friml's "Rose Marie" and Emmerich Kalman's "Countess Maritza" are full of good tunes, the former unique in its use of Canadian Mounties in the place of the usual chorus of Hussars or soldiers from some Graustarkian country, and the latter a typical European light opera complete with Balkan settings, gypsies, and Hungarian noblemen.

For this tour of the principal cities from Coast to Coast the Messrs. Shubert have selected a cast of outstanding principals, including Arthur Maxwell, Nina Olivette, Carl Randall, Mary Lou Boyd, Malcolm Lee Beggs, Billy Sully, Frank Melton, Nat Burns, Victor Carell, Beth Dean, Kendall Kelly, Anthony and Allyn, Roxanne Damar, Helene Maye, Wm. Valentine, Evelyn Daw, Sonja Levvkova, and a large chorus of trained voices and ballet dancers.

"Rose Marie" will be presented all three evenings and "Countess Maritza" but once—at the Saturday matinee.

CROWDED OUT

Bob Hope's mass of guns, flags, swords and other war trophies grew so big he was forced to build another room on his San Fernando valley home to house the collection.

Met At Camp Show Marriage Follows

HOLLYWOOD—A chance romantic teaming as husband and wife in an Army show at California's Camp Roberts has culminated in the marriage of Gloria Grahame, M-G-M starlet, and Stanley Clements, contract juvenile at Paramount.

Announcement of the marriage, which took place September 29 at Wichita Falls, Texas, where Clements is stationed as a private in the Army Air Corps, was made this week by the bride's mother, Jean Grahame, former London stage actress.

A TWO-PICTURE WHISKER

John Farrow was so impressed with the whiskers that James Burke, the character actor, grew for a scene in "Easy Come, Easy Go" at Paramount, that he hired the actor for a role in his next production, "California," provided he didn't shave again until after he completed his part in the second picture.

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From The Rule Book

By Wilbert "Birdie" Rule
Director of Education and Recreation

The eyes of the football world are turning toward the various "bowl" games which will be played on New Year's Day. There will be seven bowl tilts in all, the most prominent of which will be the annual Rose Bowl game at Pasadena, California, which will be played this year between the stalwarts of Southern California and the University of Alabama.

"Birdie" Rule

For the ninth time in the 32-year history of the Rose Bowl, the University of Southern California will uphold the honor of the West. Moreover, the Trojans' solid 26-15 win over the UCLA Bruins put them in the Pasadena Oval for the third straight year and stamped them as formidable competition for Alabama's undefeated, untied Crimson Horde.

Remember, the Trojans have never been beaten in the Rose Bowl.

Besides the bowl games, the annual East-West contest was held on Christmas Day at San Francisco, and the North-South affair will be played on December 29 at Birmingham, Alabama.

The Sugar Bowl go at New Orleans brings together the St. Mary's Gaels and Oklahoma A and M's Cowboys in what is expected to be a battle between All-America Bob Fenimore, the nation's leading ground gainer for the past two years and Oklahoma's triple threat halfback, and Herman Wedemeyer, of St. Mary's, also a member of this year's mythical All-America eleven and considered one of the nation's greatest backs. Wedemeyer is a real thriple threat man and should be a stand-out in this game.

At Miami, Florida, the Holy Cross Crusaders tangle with the University of Miami. Both of these teams have been defeated this season, but the teams are so evenly matched that they should put on a very exciting match.

Texas University, which won the Southwest Conference championship, will be pitted against the University of Missouri in the Cotton Bowl game at Dallas, Texas. The experts picked an easy win for Texas, but Bill Dellastatious, Missouri star of 1944 who has been out of most games with injuries, raised his teammates' hopes with a fine display of passing and running.

The Sun Bowl battle at El Paso, Texas, finds the University of Denver Pioneers preparing to engage the New Mexico Lobos.

The Oil Bowl setto will also be played on New Year's Day at Houston, Texas, when the University of Georgia Bulldogs will take the field against the University of Tulsa Oilers.

Getting back to the Rose Bowl game, officials declare that the 92,000 seats in the huge stadium will be sold out long before game time. The other night 15,000 fans stayed up all night to get the first tickets on sale in the morning. Some of the fans had been in line for 28 hours waiting for the much-sought-after ducats. One old fellow who had been waiting for many hours said that he didn't mind the wait as he had been in line for 72 hours in New York a few years ago waiting for tickets to the World Series.

Bay, Leelanau, and Emmet are the only Michigan counties with less than 100 miles of streams each.

Brief News

Tony Janiro, youthful Youngstown, O., welterweight, proved that he's ready to move into topflight competition with a convincing triumph over Humberto Zavala. Janiro received a unanimous decision in Friday's bout in Madison Square Garden.

Behind the brilliant pitching of Ed Barrett, former St. Louis Cardinal player, the National League USO touring baseball troupe defeated the Hawaiian Army Olympic team, 9 to 1.

De Paul University maintained its winning streak Friday night in Chicago Stadium, defeating Oregon State, 59 to 40. Northwestern came from behind in the second game of the double-header to nip Western Michigan, 47-46.

Directors of the Indianapolis American Association Baseball club have confirmed the purchase of 25 per cent of the Boston National League club's farm system which includes eight teams.

The Missouri Valley Conference has gone on record as favoring participation in intercollegiate athletics by freshmen as soon as they enroll. Art Eilers, veteran Washington University coach was named the conference's first commissioner in a two-day confab in St. Louis.

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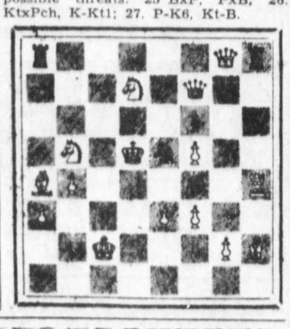

Local 12 Basketball Teams To Play

The Local 12 Basketball League opens at Scott High School gymnasium at 7 p. m. on Monday, January 7. There are eight teams entered in the league which will be under the direction of Bob Barker of the Gordon Bumper Unit.

A schedule has been made up; following which the teams will play a round robin tournament.

There will be no admission charge to the games and members of Local 12 and their friends are invited to witness the popular cage contests. Extra seats are being set up in the gymnasium to accomodate the spectators.

Plans are being made to form a Local 12 All-Star basketball team to play some of the best teams in Toledo and also to play in an inter-city league composed of teams from other UAW-CIO Locals. Several Detroit, Flint, and Pontiac teams have invited an All-Star team to schedule home and home games for this winter and early spring.

The games would be played under the National Amateur Athletic Union rules.

Sports Questions

How long is the annual Memorial Day auto race at Indianapolis (Ind.)?
500 miles.

What does a golfer do when he scores a "dodo" or "double eagle"?
He makes a hole in three strokes under par.

How many consecutive strikes must a bowler make in order to rack up a perfect 300 game?
12.

What is America's richest horse race?
The $100,000 added Santa Anita Handicap.

Did Babe Ruth ever win the American league batting championship?
Yes. The Babe swung for .378 to top AL batsmen in 1924.

Followers of what sport would be interested in attending a "bonspiel"?
A "bonspiel" is a curling tournament.

Who holds the National League home run record?
Hack Wilson, Chicago Cubs, hit 56 four-baggers in 1930.

How many players make up a cricket team?
11.

What is the approximate weight of the average racing greyhound?
62 lbs. for males, 45 lbs. for females.

In what sport is an "epee" used?
Fencing.

Hunting Hint

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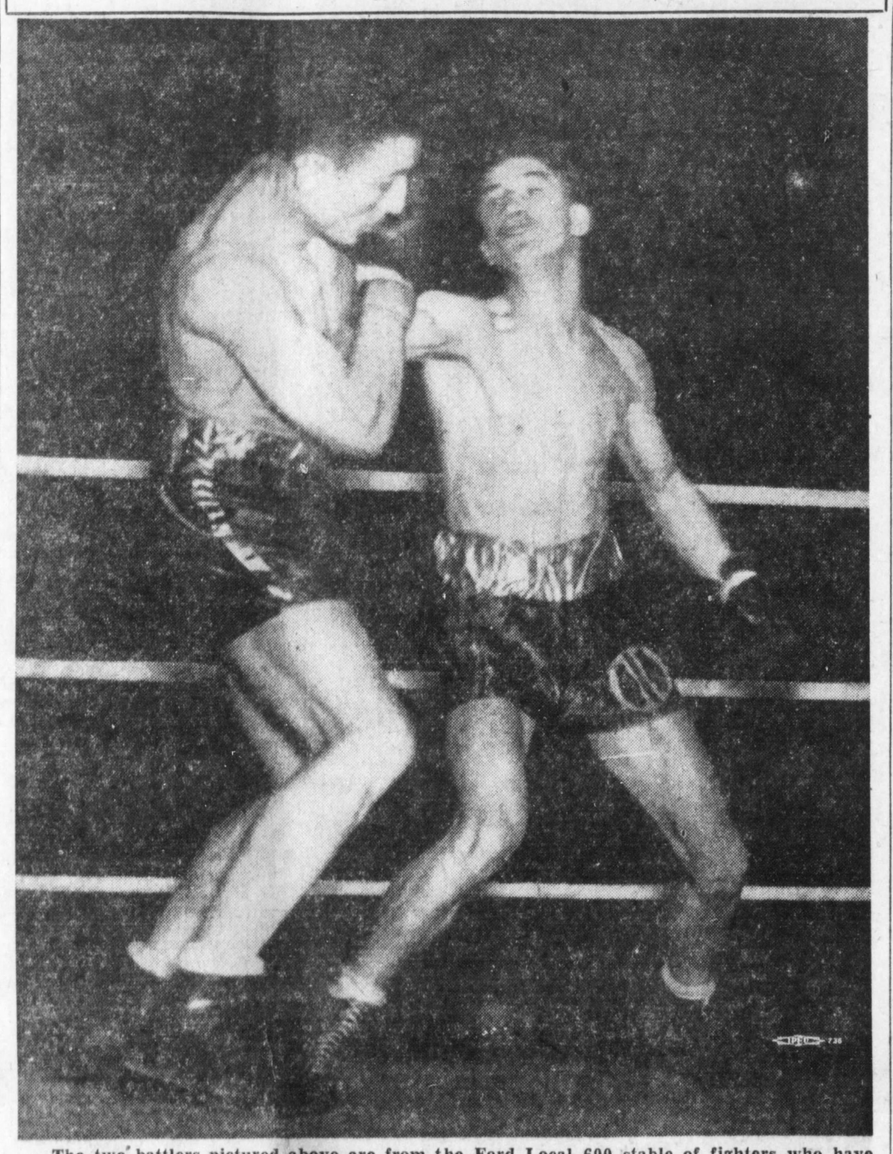

The two battlers pictured above are from the Ford Local 600 stable of fighters who have been putting on some outstanding performances in Detroit for the past few years. The first amateur boxing show, sponsored by Local 12, will be held at Civic Auditorium, Tuesday, Jan. 15, at 8:30 p. m. Permission to stage the bouts has been granted by Charles Wertz, local National AAU Commissioner in Toledo.

Golden Gloves Boxers On Local 12 Card

Fremont GI Shows Well; Ten Three-Round Bouts

Boxing fans who attend the Local 12 amateur boxing show at the Civic Auditorium on Tuesday, January 15, will see several returned GI's in action in some of the ten three-round bouts on the card.

According to word received from the Ford Local 600, in Detroit, at least three returned veterans will be among the ten boxers from that stable. Besides these ex-servicemen, there will be four fighters who have had experience in Golden Gloves tournaments in Detroit and Flint.

The Highland Park Boys' Club will also send four seasoned amateur fighters for the Local 12 boxing show and these mittmen will be matched by four others from the stable of Art Kolbe, who handles the cream of the amateurs in Fremont, Ohio.

From the Kolbe stable comes one Jerry Heminger, 160 pounds, who won the Lorain Golden Gloves championship in 1943. He entered military service and had 17 bouts as a GI, losing only one match. Jerry won the Treasure Island, California, light-heavy-weight title by two K. O's and by taking one decision. In a special match at the Island, Jerry defeated the heavyweight champion.

Another boy who was just released by Uncle Sam is Norbert Kolbe of Fremont who fights at 130 pounds. He has had 25 amateur bouts and also is a Golden Gloves title holder, having won the district crown in 1938 and then lost in the finals to Jimmie McClellan at the Civic Auditorium in Toledo. Norbert won the American Legion title at Bellevue and at Lima. Eight of his battles have been won by knockouts. He fought the best from Toledo, Lorain, Mansfield and Cleveland.

Casimir Kotch, a newcomer to the boxing game, but who is said to be blessed with natural physical ability and a knowledge of boxing, will be one of the boys on the Tuesday night shows. He weighs 135 pounds.

A special meeting of the Local 12 Boxing Committee is called for tonight at 7:30 in room 209, 425 Winthrop St. The trainers, instructors, advisors, seconds, and timekeepers of this committee are asked to attend this meeting to draw up final plans for the opening show.

The first bout will go on at 8:30 p. m. and prices for seats are on sale at $1.50 for the reserved section and $1.00 for general admission seats.

Lowest In 40 Years

CHICAGO, Dec. 28 — (AP) — Hustling George Stirnweiss' last-day, photofinish triumph over ancient Tony Cuccinello helped brighten things considerably, but still the 1945 batting race was the American League's most dismal show of plate power in 40 seasons.

The junior circuit officially handed the hitting title to Stirnweiss, stubby New York Yankee second-sacker, for his .309 average, poorest championship mark since Elmer Flick, of Cleveland, won in 1905 with an all-time low of .306.

Cuccinello, who led virtually the entire campaign, finished one percentage point off the race with .306.

CLEAN SLATE

Jack Kearns, former manager of heavyweight boxing champion Jack Dempsey, has been asquitted by a New York federal grand jury on charges of using the mails to defraud and conspiracy.

Local 12 Bowling

By ED MANDY

As this will be my last article on bowling for the year 1945, I think that it is befitting that the highest men's averages, to date, should be published. At this time, also, I wish to extend to the bowlers of the Local 12 Bowling League and also to my other friends and acquaintances a most joyful, prosperous, and happy New Year.

Ed Mandy

It has been most enjoyable working and playing with the Local 12 bowlers. Being bowling manager of the league was an assignment which became more pleasant as the weeks rolled by and I hope that I may continue to be of assistance to my bowling friends for many years to come.

The following is a list of the men's highest averages for the first ten in each division of the league:

NATIONAL DIVISION

Abe Borowicz	182
Ralph Holey	178
Bob Ressler	177
John Kuszek	175
Herb Vogel	173
Pete Peth	170
Joe Zbierajewski	170
John Grant	167
Guido Tamber	166
Sam Weinstein	166

AMERICAN DIVISION

Cap Wekwert	185
Warren Hesselbart	185
Dan Zielinski	184
Herman Mueck	183
John Kelly	182
Hank Laurich	181
Phil Muszynski	179
Harvey Sterling	179
Jack Smiczek	179
Ernie Rutkowski	179

INTERNATIONAL DIVISION

Frank Nadolny	177
Steve Raszka	176
Ollie Wisniewski	175
Harvey Sterling	175
Nial Beck	173
Walt Witaszek	170
John Demski	170
Joe Pinski	170
John Sheehy	170
Walt Bishop	169

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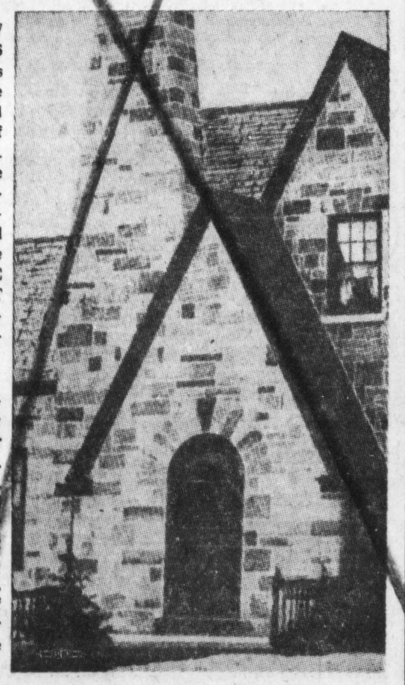

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